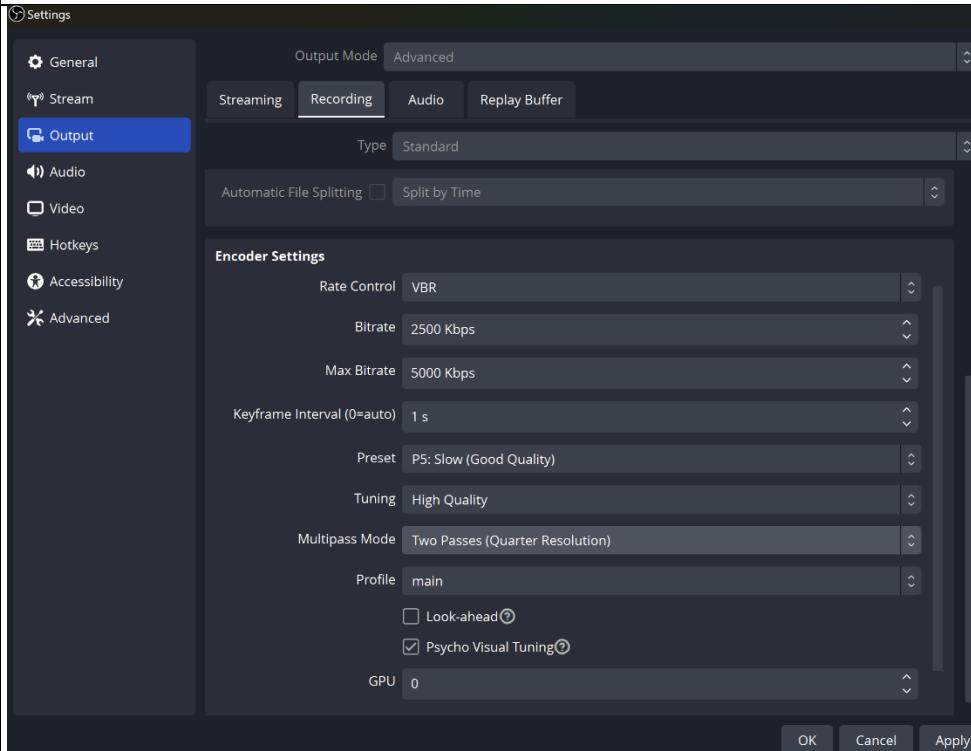
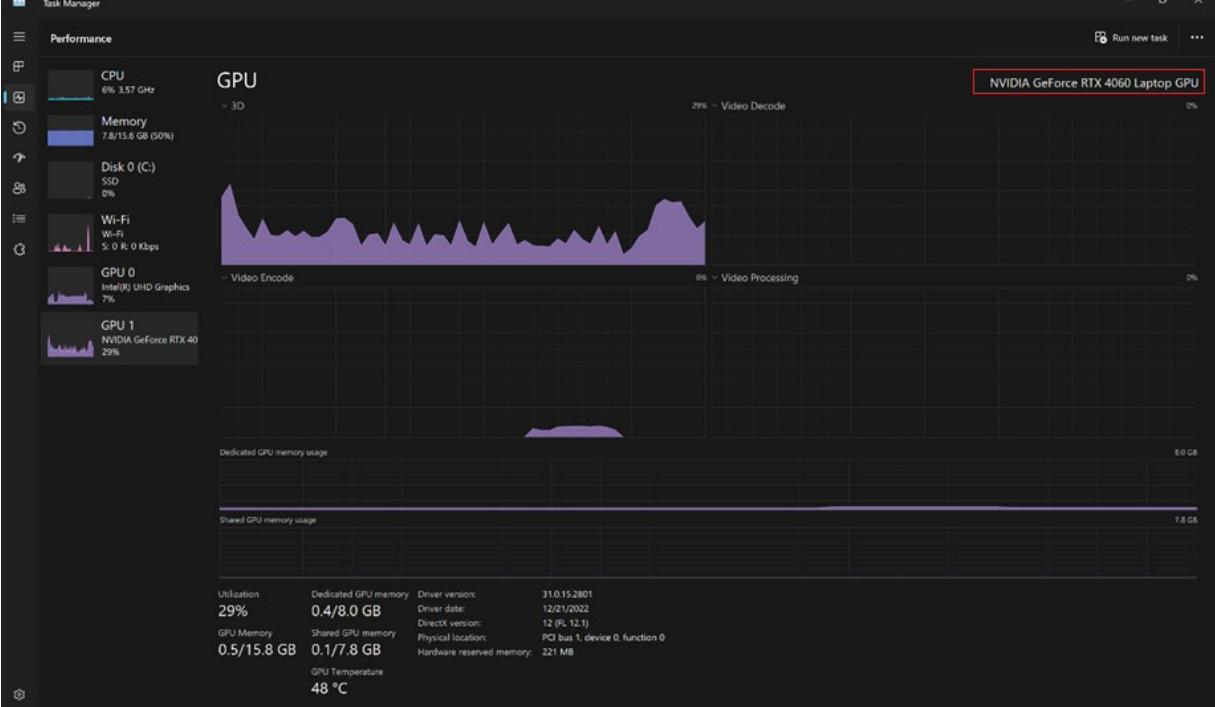


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10[pre] A video encoder for encoding a video by obtaining an optimal sequence of quantized coefficients for a block of transform residuals from the video, the video encoder comprising:	<p>To the extent the preamble is limiting, Asus-branded devices implement a video encoder for encoding a video by obtaining an optimal sequence of quantized coefficients for a block of transform residuals from the video.</p> <div style="background-color: black; color: white; padding: 10px; margin-top: 10px;"> <p>Get the ultimate creative experience with ASUS Vivobook Pro 16X OLED! It features the world's leading 16-inch 3.2K 120 Hz OLED Dolby Vision display¹, the latest Intel® Core™ HX55 desktop-level processor and up to an NVIDIA® GeForce® RTX™ 4070 Laptop GPU — empowering maximum performance for any task, no matter how tough. This powerhouse is chilled by ASUS IceCool Pro thermal technology, with dual fans and four vents to keep it cool and quiet. It's also loaded with superb connectivity, including dual Thunderbolt™ 4 ports and a standard SD card reader for easy file transfers. With an onboard MUX switch and multi-dimensional Dolby Atmos audio built right in, Vivobook Pro 16X OLED also delivers maximum productivity and entertainment. Get ready to create!</p> </div> <p>Source: https://www.asus.com/us/laptops/for-creators/vivobook/vivobook-pro-16x-oled-k6604/</p>

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Abstract

This document is a user manual describing usage of reference software for the HEVC project. It applies to version 16.8 of the software.

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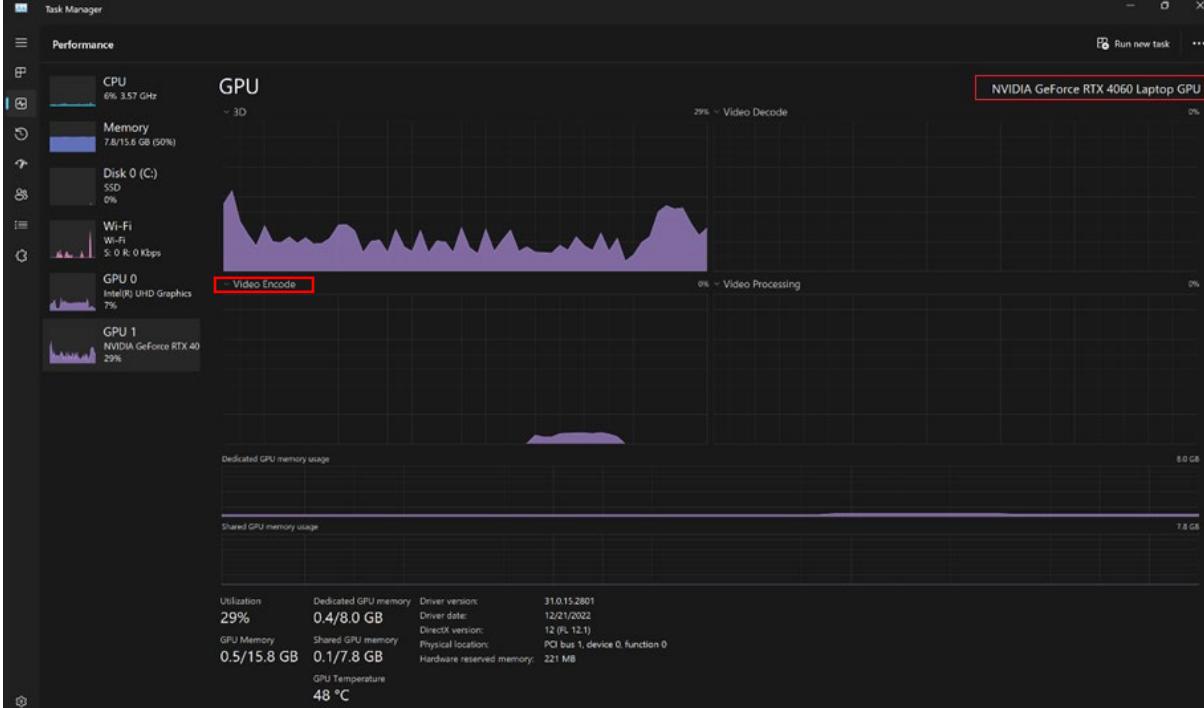
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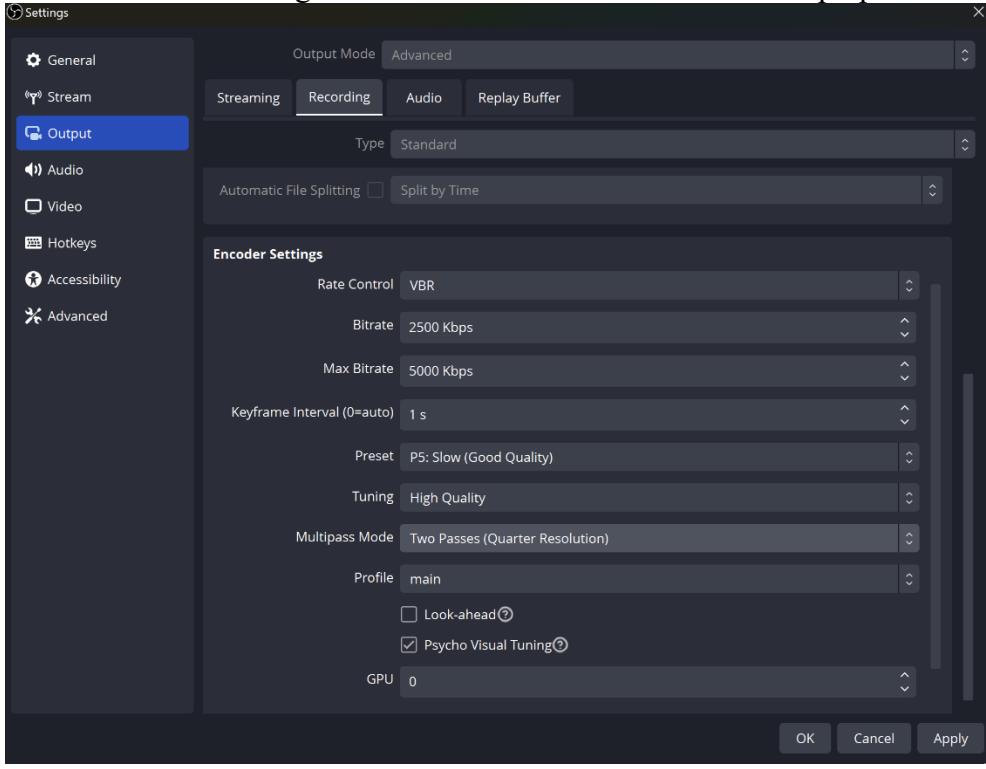
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Option	Default	Description
QP (-q)	30.0	Specifies the base value of the quantization parameter. If it is non-integer, the QP is switched once during encoding.
CbQpOffset (-cbqpofs)	0	Global offset to apply to the luma QP to derive the QP of Cb and Cr respectively. These options correspond to the values of cb_qp_offset and cr_qp_offset, that are transmitted in the PPS. Valid values are in the range [-12, 12].
CrQpOffset (-crqpofs)	0	
MaxCuDQPDepth (-dqd)	0	Defines maximum depth of a minimum CuDQP for sub-LCU-level delta QP. MaxCuDQPDepth shall be greater than or equal to SliceGranularity.
<u>RDOQ</u>	<u>true</u>	Enables or disables <u>rate-distortion-optimized quantization for transformed TUs</u> .
RDOQTS	true	Enables or disables rate-distortion-optimized quantization for transform-skipped TUs.
SelectiveRDOQ	false	Enables or disables selective rate-distortion-optimized quantization. A simple quantization is used to pre-analyze, whether to bypass the RDOQ process or not. If all the coefficients are quantized to 0, the RDOQ process is bypassed. Otherwise, the RDOQ process is performed as usual.

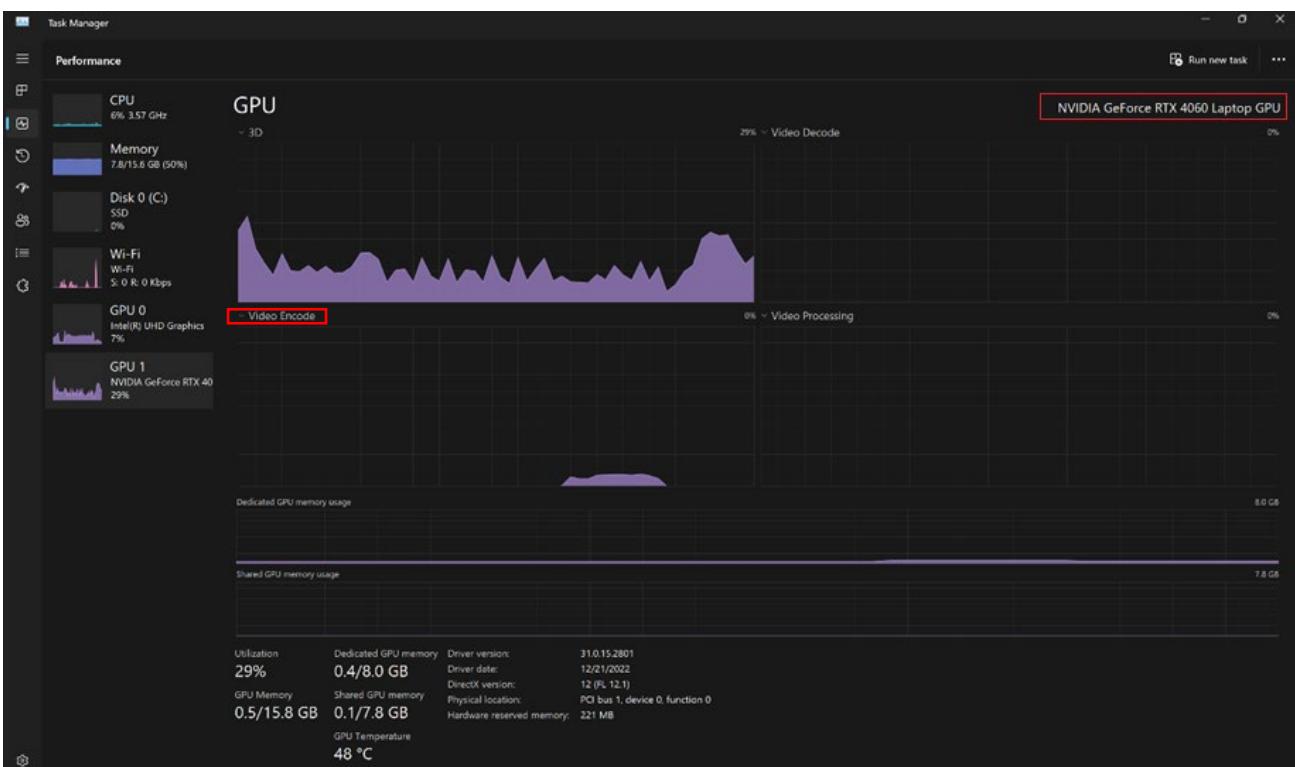
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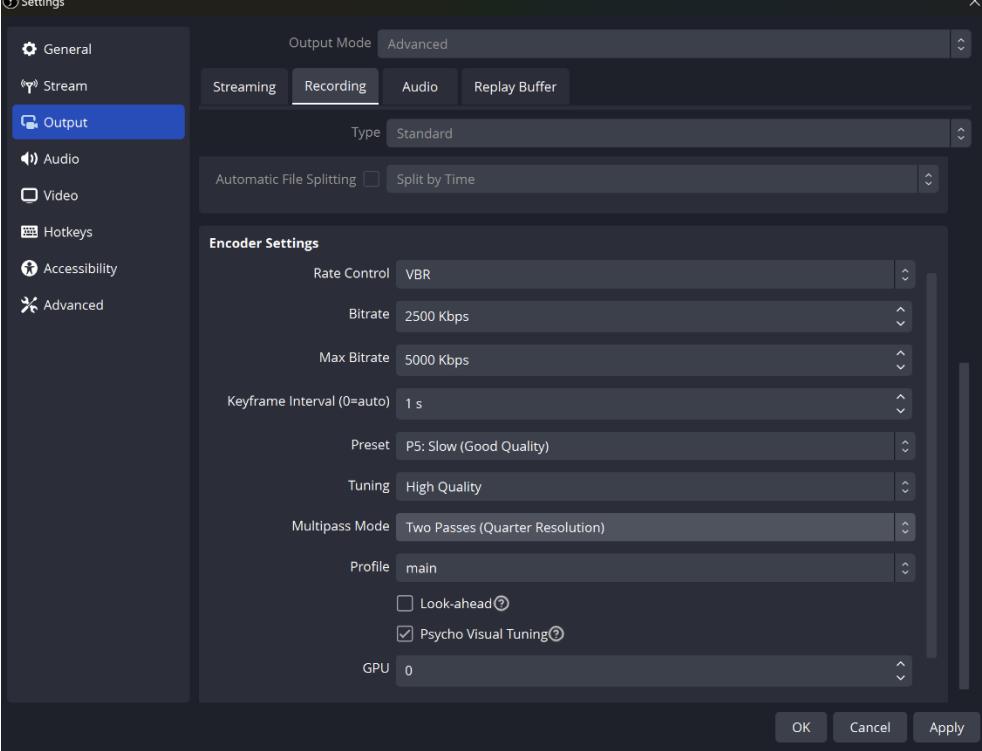
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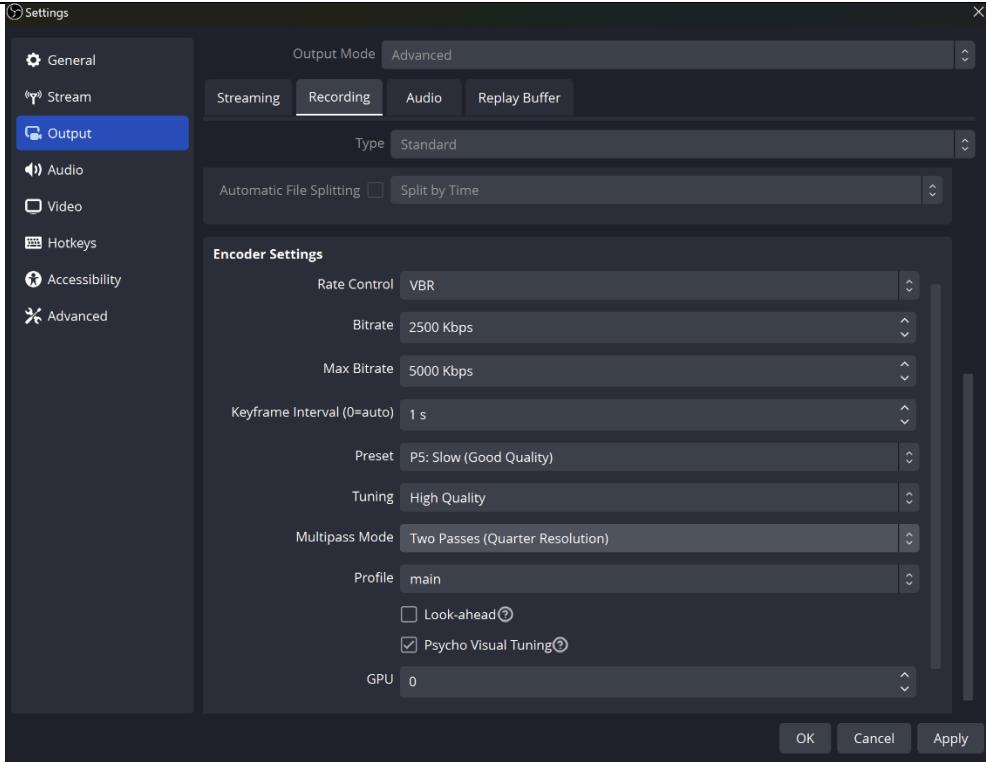
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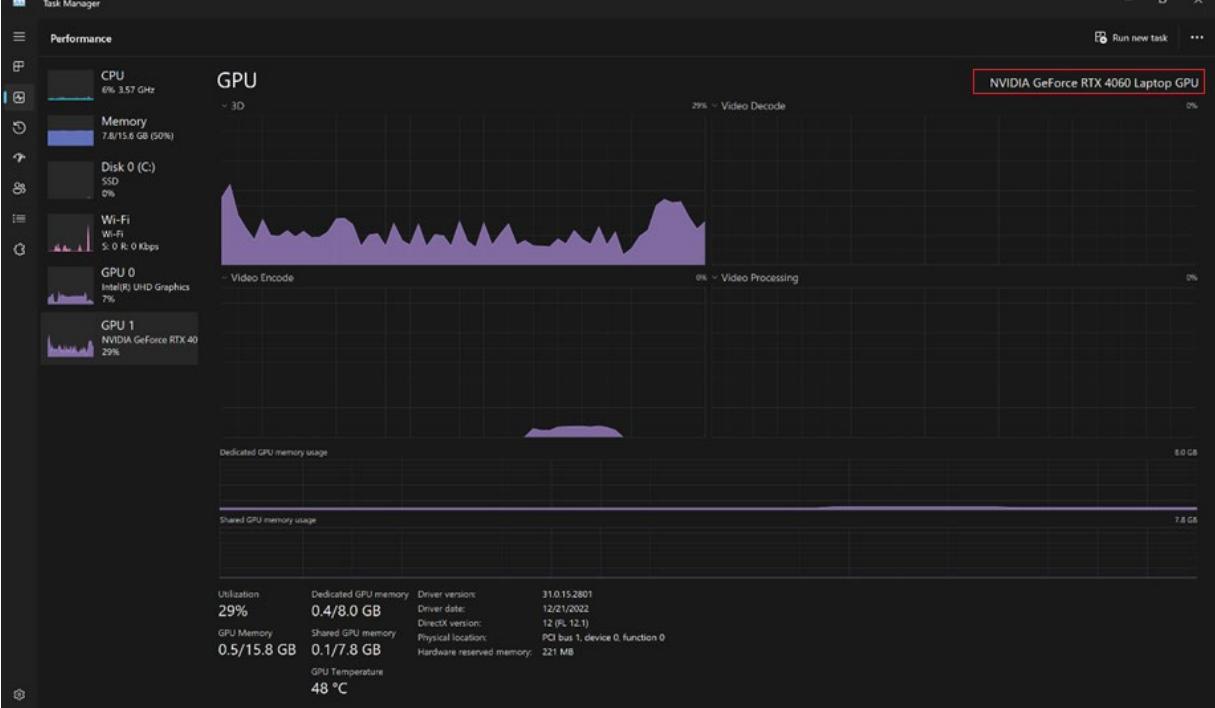
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10[d] obtain a sequence of quantized coefficients for the block of transform residuals;	<p>Asus-branded devices implement a video encoder that comprises a video encoding application executable by the processor and which, when executed, configures the processor to obtain a sequence of quantized coefficients for the block of transform residuals.</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 10px; margin-top: 10px;"> <p style="text-align: center;">IV. THE RDOQ IN HEVC</p> <p>The RDOQ has been included in the HEVC reference software (HM) and intensively used during HEVC development and performance. This section describes the RDOQ algorithm adapted to HEVC.</p> </div> <p>Source: Rate-distortion optimized quantization in HEVC: Performance Limitations, 3.</p>

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10[e] calculate, for the obtained sequence, a rate-distortion cost based on a distortion cost and on a rate cost based on a context-adaptive entropy encoder, wherein the context-adaptive entropy encoder encodes each quantized coefficient by selecting at least one context from a plurality of contexts by determining an index for a set of contexts based, at least in part, on a previous quantized coefficient in the sequence of quantized coefficients.	

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<p>previous quantized coefficient in the sequence of quantized coefficients; and</p>	<p>V. THE SIMPLIFIED RDOQ IN HEVC REFERENCE SOFTWARE</p> <p>In the RDOQ implemented HEVC test model (HM16) [20] the encoder uses only estimated values of introduced distortion (represented by square quantization error) and a number of bits required to encode selected transform coefficient, coefficient group or transform unit.</p> <p>For example, for every of the examined coefficient magnitude the encoder calculates the cost $RD_cost(L, c)$ of encoding the coefficient c with the magnitude L according to (2) and chooses the case with the lowest RD cost.</p> $RD_cost(L, c) = est_D(L, c) + \lambda \cdot est_B(L, c), \quad (2)$ <p>where:</p> <p>c – transform coefficient identifier, L – value of quantized transform coefficient c, $RD_cost(L, c)$ – cost of quantization coefficient c to value L, $est_D(L, c)$ – square quantization error, $est_B(L, c)$ – estimated number of bits needed do encode coefficient c quantized to value L, λ – Lagrange multiplier.</p> <p>The detailed description of RDOQ implementation in HEVC can be found in [21].</p>

Source: Rate-distortion optimized quantization in HEVC: Performance Limitations, 4.

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	<p>4 Abbreviations and acronyms</p> <p>For the purposes of this Recommendation International Standard, the following abbreviations and acronyms apply:</p> <table> <tr> <td>ATSC</td> <td>Advanced Television Systems Committee</td> </tr> <tr> <td>B</td> <td>Bi-predictive</td> </tr> <tr> <td>BLA</td> <td>Broken Link Access</td> </tr> <tr> <td>BPB</td> <td>Bitstream Partition Buffer</td> </tr> <tr> <td>CABAC</td> <td>Context-based Adaptive Binary Arithmetic Coding</td> </tr> </table>	ATSC	Advanced Television Systems Committee	B	Bi-predictive	BLA	Broken Link Access	BPB	Bitstream Partition Buffer	CABAC	Context-based Adaptive Binary Arithmetic Coding
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HEVC Specification (H.265), 14.

9.3 CABAC parsing process for slice segment data

9.3.1 General

This process is invoked when parsing syntax elements with descriptor ae(v) in clauses 7.3.8.1 through 7.3.8.12.

Inputs to this process are a request for a value of a syntax element and values of prior parsed syntax elements.

Output of this process is the value of the syntax element.

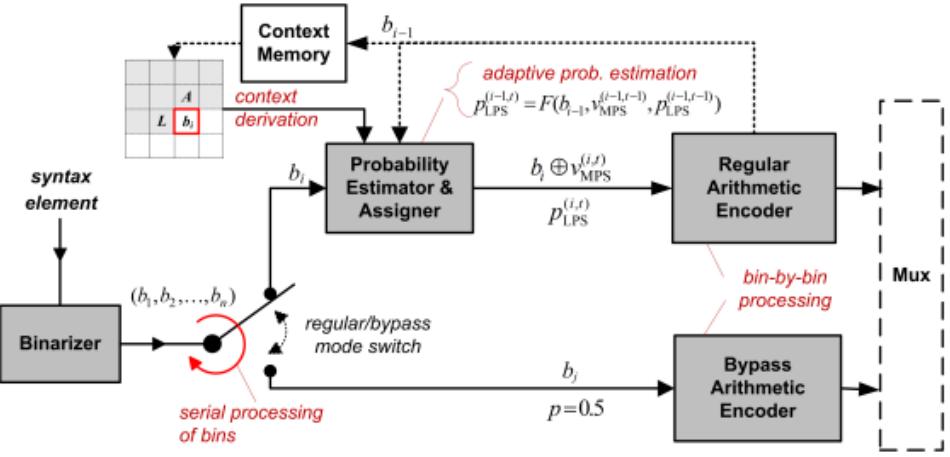
The initialization process as specified in clause 9.3.2 is invoked when starting the parsing of one or more of the following:

1. the slice segment data syntax specified in clause 7.3.8.1,
2. the CTU syntax specified in clause 7.3.8.2 and the CTU is the first CTU in a tile,
3. the CTU syntax specified in clause 7.3.8.2, entropy_coding_sync_enabled_flag is equal to 1 and the associated luma CTB is the first luma CTB in a CTU row of a tile.

The parsing of syntax elements proceeds as follows:

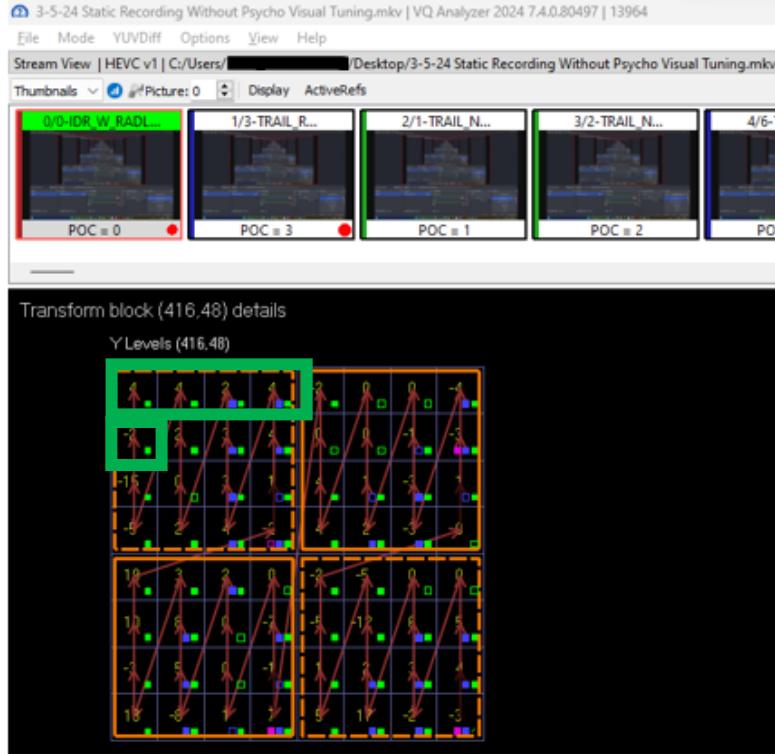
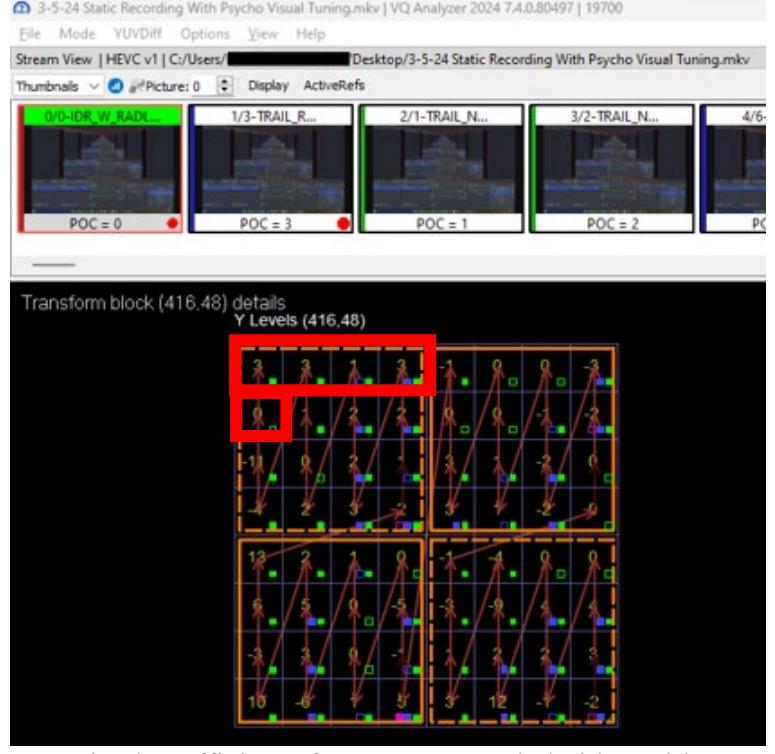
When cabac_bypass_alignment_enabled_flag is equal to 1, the request for a value of a syntax element is for either the syntax elements coeff_abs_level_remaining[] or coeff_sign_flag[] and escapeDataPresent is equal to 1, the alignment process prior to aligned bypass decoding as specified in clause 9.3.4.3.6 is invoked.

Source: HEVC Specification (H.265), 203.

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	<p>The basic design of CABAC involves the key elements of binarization, context modeling, and binary arithmetic coding. These elements are illustrated as the main algorithmic building blocks of the CABAC encoding block diagram in Fig. 1. Binarization maps the syntax elements to binary symbols (bins). Context modeling estimates the probability of each non-bypassed (i.e., regular coded) bin based on some specific context. Finally, binary arithmetic coding compresses the bins to bits according to the estimated probability.</p>  <p>Fig. 1: CABAC block diagram (from the encoder perspective): Binarization, context modeling (including probability estimation and assignment), and binary arithmetic coding. In red: Potential throughput bottlenecks, as further discussed from the decoder perspective in Sect. 3.2.</p> <p>Source: Entropy Coding in HEVC, 4.</p>

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	<p>2.2 Context Modeling, Probability Estimation and Assignment</p> <p>By decomposing each non-binary syntax element value into a sequence of bins, further processing of each bin value in CABAC depends on the associated coding-mode decision, which can be either chosen as the regular or the bypass mode (as described in Sect. 2.3). The latter is chosen for bins, which are assumed to be uniformly distributed and for which, consequently, the whole regular binary arithmetic encoding (and decoding) process is simply bypassed. In the regular coding mode, each bin value is encoded by using the regular binary arithmetic coding engine, where the associated probability model is either determined by a fixed choice, based on the type of syntax element and the bin position or <u>bin index (binIdx)</u> in the binarized representation of the syntax element, or adaptively chosen from two or more probability models depending on the related side information (e.g. spatial neighbors as illustrated in Fig. 1, component, depth or size of CU/PU/TU, or position within TU). Selection of the probability model is referred to as context modeling. As an important design decision, the latter case is generally applied to the most frequently observed bins only, whereas the other, usually less frequently observed bins, will be treated using a joint, typically zero-order probability model. In this way, CABAC enables selective adaptive probability modeling on a sub-symbol level, and hence,</p>	
10[f] change a value of one of said quantized coefficients of the obtained sequence to produce a new sequence of quantized coefficients, so that a resulting rate-distortion cost for the new sequence of quantized coefficients is smaller than a rate-distortion cost for the obtained sequence.	Asus-branded devices implement a video encoder that comprises a video encoding application executable by the processor and which, when executed, configures the processor to change a value of one of said quantized coefficients of the obtained sequence to produce a new sequence of quantized coefficients, so that a resulting rate-distortion cost for the new sequence of quantized coefficients is smaller than a rate-distortion cost for the obtained sequence.	

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Source: Internal Testing of ASUS Vivobook Pro 16X OLED Laptop.

After enabling the psycho-visual setting (to enable rate-distortion optimization), the magnitude of the quantized coefficient for some of the coefficients is decreased by 1 and/or reduced to 0. *Compare* the quantized coefficients in the green box with the quantized coefficients in the red box.

The change in magnitude of the quantized coefficients when Psycho Visual Tuning is enabled indicates rate-distortion optimization.